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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment in response to the Official Action of January 17, 2007. A Petition for Extension of Time, and payment of \$225.00, accompany this Amendment. Please amend the application as follows.

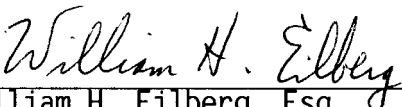
Attached are:

- 1) Amendments to the Claims; and
- 2) Remarks in support of patentability.

After entry of this Amendment, the application contains three (3) independent claims and ten (10) total claims. Therefore no fee for this Amendment is required, apart from the fee for the extension of time.

For the reasons given in the attached Remarks, Applicants request reconsideration by the Examiner and early favorable action. If the Examiner has questions, Applicants request that he telephone the undersigned to expedite the prosecution of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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